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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 14 October 2005.
- 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quaile*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 10-18 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 10-18 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on 14 October 2005 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
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DETAILED ACTION

Specification

1. The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because of the word "said" and because it have more than 150 words. Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b).
2. In Page 1 Line 7, the specification recites "preamble of claim 1". Applicant is reminded that the specification must support the claims and not vise versa. CFR § 1.74 (a)-(c) recites:
 - The specification must include a written description of the invention or discovery and of the manner and process of making and using the same, and is required to be in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art or science to which the invention or discovery appertains, or with it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same.
 - The specification must set forth the precise invention for which a patent is solicited, in such manner as to distinguish it from other inventions and from what is old. It must describe completely a specific embodiment of the process, machine, manufacture, composition of matter or improvement invented, and must explain the mode of operation or principle whenever applicable. The best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention must be set.
 - In the case of an improvement, the specification must particularly point out the part or parts of the process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter to which the improvement relates, and the description should be confined to the

specific improvement and to such parts as necessarily cooperate with it or as may be necessary to a complete understanding or description of it.

Therefore, references to the claims in the specification should be removed.

Claim Objections

3. **Claim 17 is objected** to because of the following informalities:

- Claim 17 Line 3, change “which member the guide” to -which member the guide-.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

4. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

- The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter, which the applicant regards as his invention.

5. **Claims 10-18 are rejected** under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claim 1 recites that the guide element accomplish deadlocking of the latch bolt. However, as seen in Figures 3,5 and 7, the guide member 7 accomplish deadlocking of a deadbolt 13, not the latch bolt 3. Therefore, in order to continue with the examination, the limitation would be examined as the guide member accomplishing the deadlocking of a deadbolt. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

6. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

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A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) The invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

7. Claims 10,12,16 and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by US Pat No 5,083,448 to Kärkkäinen et al (Kärkkäinen).

Regarding claims 10 and 18, Kärkkäinen discloses an arrangement for guiding the deadlocking of a deadbolt (3) comprising a latch bolt (4) urged by a spring (6); an auxiliary bolt (19) urged by another spring (20); and a guide element (11). The arrangement further comprises members that are arranged to allow the movement of the guide element to the deadlocking of the deadbolt only if the latch bolt and the auxiliary bolt are in a retracted position. The elements comprise a stop member (21) arranged to act against a protrusion (22) at the guide element.

As to claim 12, Kärkkäinen illustrates that the auxiliary bolt is provided with a guiding piece that defines the freedom of movement of the stop member and is arranged to guide the movement of the auxiliary bolt (see attachment #1).

As to claim 15, Kärkkäinen illustrates that the protrusion comprises a recess that receives the stop member.

As to claim 16, Kärkkäinen discloses that the latch bolt (4) is provided with a guide surface (at 17) that is arranged to move the guide element (11, by activating the switch) so as to release the stop member from the recess.

Allowable Subject Matter

8. **Claims 11,13 and 17 would be allowable** if rewritten to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.
9. **Claim 14 would also be allowed** because the claim depends from claim 13.
10. At the instant, the prior art fails to disclose that the stop member is urged by a spring (claim 11); that the stop member comprises a turnable guiding edge (claim 13); and that the guide element of the latch bolt where the guiding element acts upon in order to accomplish the deadlocking.

Conclusion

11. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Carlos Lugo whose telephone number is 571-272-7058. The examiner can normally be reached on 10-7pm EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jennifer Gay can be reached on 571-272-7029. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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